

**UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST  
RULES COMMITTEE  
AGENDA**

**DECEMBER 7, 2007**

**1. MINUTES**

**Minutes of the November 2, 2007 Rules Committee Meeting submitted by Brian O'Connor. Marilyn Billings is responsible for the minutes of this meeting. (If she is unable to attend, Ralph Whitehead is responsible.)**

**2. FACULTY SENATE AGENDA ITEMS (For Tuesday, December 18, 2007)**

- A. Address by Joyce Hatch, Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance and Jim Cahill, Director of Facilities and Campus Planning – “Campus Landscape Improvement Plan” (Questions and Discussion to follow)**
- B. Approval of new courses by the Academic Matters Council**
- C. Special Report of the Ad Hoc Review Committee concerning The Five-Year Review of the Interdisciplinary Minor in Information Technology, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. with Motion No.**
- D. Special Report of the Academic Matters Council concerning A New Minor in Scandinavian Studies in the German and Scandinavian Studies Program, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. with Motion No.**
- E. Special Report of the Committee on Committees concerning Nominations to Faculty Senate Councils and Committees, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. with Motion No.**

**3. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. Program Revisions:**
  - 1. Graduate Certificate in Film Studies**
  - 2. Graduate Certificate in Public History**
  - 3. Studio Arts Program**
  - 4. Change in the name for the B.S. in Human Nutrition to Nutrition**  
(Please indicate a lead Council for each.)
- B. Update on the CRM implementation and the database removal.**
- C. Update on the LLC Halloween Party and the campus-wide issues – including cross-cultural images of racism – resulting therefrom.**
- D. Can we bury the Samels Report? Are we really now in the post-Tocco era?**
- E. The exploding expenses of UMOP.**